

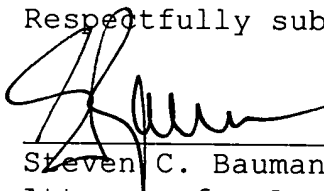
Application No. 10/082,278
Preliminary Amendment dated September 8, 2003

REMARKS

Claims 1-39 were pending, but subject to restriction in the parent application (No. 10/082,278). Claims 29-35 were found to be allowable in the parent application. Accordingly, Applicants cancel these claims herein as well as Claims 1-10, 2-22 and 36-39, and seek to prosecute in this application Claims 11-19 and 23-28. Applicants request prompt and favorable examination thereof.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may now be reached by telephone at (860) 571-5001 or by facsimile at (860) 571-5028. All correspondence should be directed to the address given below.

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